Minutes of the Public Session

1. **Call to Order.** Chairman Slater called the meeting of the University System of Maryland Board of Regents Committee on Effectiveness and Efficiency to order at 12:00 p.m. on Monday, November 14, 2011 at Coppin State University. Those in attendance were: Chairman Slater; Regents Florestano, Michaux Gonzales, Johnson (by phone), Reid, and Vance, Vice Chancellors Goldstein and Moultrie, Assistant Attorney General Faulk; Ms. Baker, Dr. Foust, and USM Staff.

2. **Motion to Adjourn and Reconvene in Executive Session.** Chairman Slater moved, Regent Reid seconded and it was unanimously approved to reconvene in Executive Session. The meeting was adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

3. **Public Session Reconvened.** Chairman Slater reconvened the Public Session at 12:35 p.m.

4. **Proposed Policy on the Role of the USM as a Public Corporation.** At the direction of the Committee, staff developed a draft policy on the goals and authorities of the USM as a public corporation under current State law, in order to achieve three key purposes: 1) to articulate the USM’s commitment to marshal its status as a public corporation to advance Maryland’s economic growth, 2) to systematically set out, in a single document, the full range of statutory tools for achieving that goal; and 3) to support other phases of a USM public corporation initiative, including the possible pursuit of legislative strategies to enhance the USM’s capacity for fostering state economic development and improve its effectiveness and efficiency. Associate Vice Chancellor Goedert provided the committee with a brief overview of the proposed policy.

Regent Michaux Gonzales indicated that while she was in favor of approving the policy, that there was a need for clarification of the difference between policy and restatement of statute. Regent Slater suggested that the distinction might be made be made by moving sections IIB, II & IV to an appendix. Following discussion, Regent Michaux Gonzales concurred, and moved to approve the policy as amended, Regent Reid seconded, and the Committee on Effectiveness and Efficiency unanimously recommended that the Board of Regents approve the Policy on the Role of the USM as a Public Corporation.
5. **Revision of the USM Dashboard Indicators.**
Assistant Vice Chancellor Passmore introduced the item explaining that in light of the new USM Strategic Plan, a work group including Regents Florestano, Gossett and Slater, convened to discuss possible revisions and candidate indicators. The changes included a plan to: 1) include an executive summary to more effectively contextualize the indicators, 2) add an external fiscal environment summary, 3) revision of indicators to address data issues, reduce repetition, and more effectively address areas of Board interest, and 4) revise the timeline for presentation of the Dashboard Indicators to January for Committee consideration, and approval by the Committee of the Whole to February.

Dr. Passmore explained that the work group considered revisions to the indicators to better align with the Strategic Plan, other reports to the Board, and to eliminate redundancy. Additional indicators to be added next year include the number of start-ups, student/faculty ratio, and the percent of courses taught by tenure/tenure-track faculty. It was suggested that an upper-division STEM enrollment indicator might also be explored.

Following discussion, Regent Florestano, Regent Reid seconded, and the Committee on Effectiveness and Efficiency unanimously recommended that the Board of Regents approve the revisions to the Dashboard Indicators as submitted.

6. **Adjournment.**
Regent Slater moved, Regent Vance seconded, and the motion to adjourn the meeting of the Committee on Effectiveness and Efficiency at 1:08 p.m. passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas G. Slater
Chairperson